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TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

City Manager Jorge M. Gonzalez

DATE:

April 20, 2011

SUBJECT: Historic Preservation Board Resolution - Lincoln Road

Attached, please find a copy of a resolution pertaining to the physical condition of Lincoln Road, which was adopted by the Historic Preservation Board at their April 12, 2011 meeting. The Board is urging the City Commission of the City of Miami Beach to take the following actions:

- 1. Refer to the Planning Board a comprehensive amendment pertaining to the operation of sidewalk cafes and all businesses on Lincoln Road.
- 2. Refer to the appropriate committee(s) an action item specifying that side streets and applicable linkages to Lincoln Road need to be addressed.
- 3. To support the investment of capital dollars in refurbishing all blocks of Lincoln Road, including the widening of sidewalks on side streets leading to Lincoln Lane.
- 4. To approve the proposed management & maintenance agreement with UIA Management, LLC for all of Lincoln Road and Sound Space Park.

The Administration recommends that the Commission consider this request at the June 8, 2011 Commission meeting, as part of the discussion regarding the proposed management agreement for Lincoln Road.

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C: Jorge G. Gomez, Assistant City Manager Jose Smith, City Attorney Gary Held, First Assistant City Attorney Bob Parcher, City Clerk Richard G. Lorber, Acting Planning Director

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CITY OF MIAMI BEACH HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach Historic Preservation Board is charged by Ordinance as serving in an advisory capacity to the City Commission and other City Boards on issues affecting the City's architecture, design, historic districts and structures; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation Board strongly supports the efforts of the City to recall its unique social and architectural history, as well as further the dynamic character and attraction of Lincoln Road; and

WHEREAS, Lincoln Road is a unique, historic and highly significant retail and restaurant promenade, which serves tourists and residents alike; and

WHEREAS, the need to maintain a careful balance between the operational needs of restaurant operators and other businesses, and the architectural character and integrity of the streetscape, is critical for the long term success of Lincoln Road; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Historic Preservation Board and various other stakeholders have a serious concern with the overall quality, aesthetic and pedestrian experience on Lincoln Road; and

WHEREAS, specific areas of concern that need to be addressed by ordinance or policy changes include, but are not limited to, exterior speakers, heating & cooling fixtures, planters, displays, solicitation by restaurant employees, signage, lounge chairs & over sized furniture, back of house fixtures & bussing stations; and

WHEREAS, a re-evaluation of the sidewalk café zones, as well as capital improvements for the main thoroughfare and side streets, are an integral part of the long term stability of Lincoln Road.

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that the Historic Preservation Board urges the City Commission of the City of Miami Beach to take the following actions:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 12th DAY OF APRIL, 2011.

HERB SOSA

Chair

Historic Preservation Board